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we cannot object, for everything American is new, and long may it so remain. But what will he think some day if some feeble-minded person may happen to designate the methods which he advocates as "palæo-Anglic?"

N. L. B.

Proceedings of the Club.

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 10, 1893.

The President in the chair and twenty-five persons present.

A communication from Mr. Hartley C. Wolle, of Bethlehem, Pa., addressed to the President, was read, presenting to the Club a copy of Turner's Fresh Water Algae of East India, said copy having been forwarded by the author to the father of the writer, the Rev. Francis Wolle, who however did not live to receive it.

A communication to the Secretary from Sr. Luis Sodiro, of Quito, Ecuador, was read, accepting the honor of a corresponding membership in the Club and presenting a copy of his work on the Vascular Cryptogams of Ecuador. Dr. Britton spoke of the value of this work.

The scientific programme of the evening was then taken up, and summer experiences were related.

Dr. C. C. Curtiss reported his experiences during the summer at Wood's Holl, at Gay Head and at Casco Bay, where he collected many algae.

Mr. John K. Small stated that he had collected in Georgia, where he had been especially interested in the mosses, but had made large general collections. He was able to report on extension of the range of many species, the rediscovery of a number of rarities and the finding of a number of new species.

Mr. A. A. Heller had interested himself especially in the Southern Virginia boundary, the limit of the Manual region. His most interesting work had been the addition of quite a number of plants to the Manual list, notably that of *Cyrilla*. He thought that in order for collectors to be successful in this region it was very necessary that they consult the proper seasons for visiting respectively the coast region, the foot hills and the mountains.

His collections amounted to 13,000 or 14,000 specimens, representing some 500 species.

Mr. T. H. Kearney, Jr., had been collecting in Tennessee and Kentucky. He had devoted some three months to this work and obtained more than 5000 specimens. He noted some of his more important observations.

Mr. Geo. V. Nash reported collecting in the Catskills and exhibited specimens of several interesting species.

Mr. Henry Kraemer reported upon some laboratory work, referring especially to Belladonna root. He had found in the cortical tissue structures bearing all the characteristics of bast and had afterwards encountered notes by Prof. Schrenk to the same effect, and had verified the same by an examination of Prof. Schrenk's specimens. The supposed bast could be detected only after clearing and staining.

Mr. Theo. G. White had been specially occupied in geological work. At Lake Champlain he had obtained from the Potsdam sandstone a fine large fossil alga. Later, while at the World's Fair, he had made some interesting collections of the prairie flora.

The President exhibited two specimens of *Solidago speciosa*, one collected by himself many years ago on the line of Sixth ave., between 135th and 140th streets, where also *S. rigida* used to grow, the other recently collected in Westchester county by Dr. Margaret B. Wilson.

Dr. Britton exhibited and remarked upon some numbers of the American Botanical Register, obtained from the library of Dr. Hosack. He had not as yet been able to find any reference to this publication.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 25, 1893.

Vice President Allen in the chair and twenty persons present.

The following papers were read:

1. "On the North American Species of the genus *Physcomitrium*," by Mrs. Britton. The paper was illustrated by specimens and drawings. The genus was originally described with three species, which in Lesquereux and James' "Manual" had been increased to six. Mrs. Britton's studies had led her to recognize eleven North American species, six of which she described as new.

The paper will be published in the BULLETIN at a future time.

2. "New Genera from Bolivia," by Dr. Rusby. The paper was illustrated by specimens and drawings, and is printed in this number of the BULLETIN.

Dr. Britton referred again to the copy of the "American Botanical Register," which he had exhibited at the preceding meeting, stating that he had found a reference to the work in Silliman's Journal for 1831, in the form of a prospectus where 100 colored plates of North American plants were proposed to be issued each year at a subscription price of \$12.00. Washington was the place of publication.

He also exhibited a copy of Jung and Berlese's "Monographie du Genre *Camellia*," and *Viola Selkirkii*, *Amelanchier oligocarpa* and *Rubus setosus* from the Pocono plateau of Pennsylvania.

TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 14, 1893.

The President in the chair and thirty persons present.

A letter was received from Mr. E. D. McCabe, executor of the estate of Miss Phoebe A. McCabe, stating that her herbarium had been shipped to the Club, as per previous correspondence. It contains a large number of Westchester county plants.

The following persons were elected active members:

S. B. Parsons, Flushing, Long Island, N. Y.

Dr. G. Langman, 121 West 57th St., New York City.

The President stated that the herbarium accumulated by the late Mr. P. V. LeRoy, formerly Curator of the Columbia College Herbarium, and long a member of the Club, was offered for sale by his daughter, Mrs. Williams, of Peekskill, N. Y.

The Treasurer reported that the Club had received a bequest of \$500.00 under the will of the late Isaac Buchanan, and that payment of the money was expected at some time during the coming year.

The following papers were read:

1. "Solandi Printing and its Applications to Botany," by Prof. Byron D. Halsted. The paper was illustrated by examples of the results obtained by the process of printing, and will be published in the December number of the BULLETIN.

2. "On the Altitudinal Distribution of Appalachian Ferns," by Mr. John K. Small. The paper was illustrated by specimens and a map, and will be published in the December number of the BULLETIN.

Index to Recent Literature Relating to American Botany.

Arthrop lycus—*Remarks on the Genus*. Jos. F. James. (Journ. Cin. Soc. Nat. Hist. xvi. 82–86).

This paper was presented before Sec. E. of the A. A. A. S. at the Madison meeting, and was noted in the BULLETIN for September, 1893.

Asplenias—*Observaciones sobre algunos Helechos de la Tribu de las*. Jose N. Rovirosa. (Naturaleza, ii. 179, illustrated).

Botanical Report. Brittain and Cox. (Bull. Nat. Hist. Soc. New Brunswick, viii. 119).

Contains a list of rare plants found on a trip down the Restigouche, in July, 1888.

Cereus Peruvianus—*Die Blüthe von*. K. Schumann (Monatsch. Kakteenkunde, iii. 123).

Compositæ—*Achnial Hairs of*. Mary A. Nichols (Bot. Gaz. xviii. 378–383; one plate).

Cretaceous Floras in Canada and the United States, and on some new Plants of this Period—On the Correlation of early. J. W. Dawson (Trans. Roy. Soc. Canada, x. Sec. iv. 79–93, figs. 1–16).

The author begins with a review of previous work on the Cretaceous plants of British America and their correlation with such as had been found in the United States and Greenland.

The plants which are described were collected in the Cascade Coal Basin of the Rocky Mountains, and are all referred to the Kootanie formation. *Angiopteridium Canmorensis* and *Pinus anthraciticus* are described and figured as new. A. H.

Cryptogamæ Vasculares Quitenses adiectis speciebus in aliis provinciis ditionis Ecuadorensis hactenus detectis. Auctore Aloisio Sodiro S. J. (8vo, Quito, Typis universitatis, 1893, pp. 656, with index and 7 plates.)